

**COATINGS FOR BUILDING PRODUCTS  
AND METHODS OF USING SAME**

**Abstract of the Disclosure**

A method for coating a building product in which a coating formulation is provided which includes an hydraulic binder and a quantity of dewatering agent. A slurry is produced from said formulation and applied to the product to be coated. The resultant coating is then dewatered through said product. Dewatering can be accomplished with or without vacuum assistance. The method is suitable for producing a composite product which comprises a base structural layer with the coating thereon.

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